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 Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

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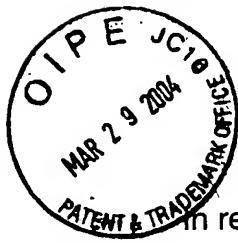
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For: ACOUSTO-OPTIC TUNABLE
APPARATUS HAVING A FIBER
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office action of January 8, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response. Remarks begin on page 10 of this response.

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